



Working with Boys

An Information Portal for Practitioners to Build Resilience in Boys

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Website Links

www.engagingmen2009.org
www.prumundo.org
www.internationalresilienceproject.ca
www.MenCanStopRape.org
mensbiblio.xyonline.net/
www.rapcan.org.za

Welcome to our first e-newsletter

RAPCAN's interest in working with boys developed over a number of years and has seen the organisation host a number of seminars in relation to working with boys. Whilst the arena of working with men as part of a gender violence prevention strategy has shown significant gains our experience has been that very few organisations engage with young boys in the same way. We hope that this newsletter will create a platform for meaningful discussion, information sharing and debate to enable us to work with boys on their journey to becoming meaningful, resilient and positive contributors to their community.

We'd like to encourage you to share your stories, experiences, resources and upcoming events in working with boys in order to create a cadre of practitioners who feel supported and are informed.

Events

Global Symposium on Engaging Men and Boys on Achieving Gender Equality held at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from March 29 to April 3, 2009

"Men are from Earth and Women are from Earth – Let's work together for Gender Equality" That was the sole spirit of The First Global Symposium on Engaging Men and Boys on Achieving Gender Equality held at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from March 29 to April 3, 2009. It was attended by 450 delegates from 80 countries representing all the continents of the globe. It was attended by individuals and organisations working on applied research and policy and program development related to challenging rigid gender norms and engaging men and boys in reducing violence against women and girls, promoting sexual and reproductive health, HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment and fatherhood and care giving. The Global Symposium was hosted and organized by an alliance of non-governmental organizations and United Nations agencies, including Promundo (Brazil), Instituto Papai (Brazil), White Ribbon Campaign Canada, the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the MenEngage Alliance, and Save the Children Sweden. **Watch this space for the conference report as soon as it becomes available.**

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Useful reading

Using Academic Strategies to Build Resilience

Theodore Pikes, Brenda Burrell, and Connie Holliday)

<http://www.cyc-net.org/cyc-online/cycol-0205-resilience.html>

Masculinities and Public Policy in South Africa

(Jean Redpath, Robert Morrell, Rachel Jewkes and Dean Peacock)

<http://www.genderjustice.org.za/policy-govt/policyEvidence>

Working with Boys on Crime Prevention: Evidence-based Research

(Lilian Hu and Moefeeda Salie-Kagee)

http://www.rapcan.org.za/File_uploads/Resources/Working_with_boys_on_crime_prevention1.pdf

Future partnerships.....

We are looking forward to sharing more news with you in the upcoming months and hope that you will participate by sharing your stories, resources and up-coming events with us.

RAPCAN works to build effective prevention and responsive measures relating to child victimisation and offending through direct service delivery, capacity building, resource development and dissemination and advocacy. Our work is strengthened by strategic partnerships and child participation. To find out more about RAPCAN visit www.rapcan.org.za.



Note: The Newsletter is pleased to provide space for members to share stories and experiences on a by-monthly basis. We will publish all entries that uphold the **values** of RAPCAN. Unfortunately, we are unable to publish member's requests for funds or fundraising drives in this space.